

## CITY AND SUBURBAN

### TOWN TOPICS AND CURRENT COMMENT GATHERED YESTERDAY.

#### A Mother's Bereavement - Andrew Johnston's Will - The Synod - Election of Officers, &c.

**What Our City Hall Costs.**  
The regular weekly meeting of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings was held in the City Engineer's office at 8 o'clock last night.

The following members were present: Messrs. Kendler (chairman), Crenshaw, Pizzini, City Engineer, Crenshaw, and Superintendent of Construction Burgwyn. Mr. Ammons was absent on account of his wife's illness.

The City Engineer submitted his report as follows:

**CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE**  
Richmond, Va., Nov. 13, 1886.  
To the Chairman and Members of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings:

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully report the following work and cost of same done upon the new City Hall for the week ending November 13, 1886:

Constructing and erecting derricks	\$ 198 27
Erecting sheds	49 66
Cutting trenches	501 59
Purchase and delivery of stone, cement, &c.	658 13
Purchase of tools and materials (\$825.12) 5 per cent. depreciation	41 26
	\$1,448 91

A percentage of this will be charged to stone and other work.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. E. CUTSHAW,  
City Engineer.

#### A SAD CALAMITY.

##### A Mother's Awful Mistake.

A sad and dreadful mistake occurred yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. Peter A. Morton, at 810 Jessamine street.

Two of Mr. Morton's little boys have been sick for some time. There was a bottle of fever mixture and one of carbolic acid on the mantelpiece. One of the boys, aged about six, had a sore leg, and the acid had been used on it. The eldest child, aged nine years, was given a spoonful of the carbolic acid instead of the fever medicine. This occurred at 6:30 o'clock. The accident was at once discovered, and the best medical aid summoned, but the child died at 8:30 o'clock, after much suffering.

Mr. Peter A. Morton is a painter, doing business on north Fifteenth street. He was a gallant Union soldier, and is a prominent Phil Kearny Post man and a true member of the United Veterans. All of his comrades, both of the blue and the gray, as well as the community, will sympathize with him and his bereaved wife. Mrs. Morton is frantic with grief. She will have the condolence of all who read the account of this sad casualty.

#### Dedication of Lee Camp Hall.

The trustees of the Camp are fitting up the new hall very handsomely, as they have already several applications from other bodies to sub-rent. The dedication and camp-fire will not take place until Friday night, 26th instant. At the last meeting a resolution was unanimously passed, requesting Major Norman V. Randolph to give on that occasion a sketch of the origin, progress, and present status of the Camp. Phil Kearny Post was invited to be present.

It was reported that the old battle-flag of the 13th Virginia regiment, infantry, had been abstracted from a show case in the State Library. The members of the Camp were requested to aid their Comrade Blackburn, a member of that command, in its recovery.

A letter from Captain John T. Callaghan, Washington, to Colonel Murphy, was read, inviting the Camp to be present next Friday at the dedication, by the "Maryland Line Confederate Veterans," of a monument at Gettysburg in memory of the Confederates who fell there.

#### The Heathen Chinese.

James McCormack and James Eaton were before the Police Justice yesterday, charged with entering in the daytime the laundry of Quong Wah Long and stealing \$15. Quong said that about a week ago two men entered his laundry in the daytime and robbed his cash drawer. Tuesday McCormack and Eaton came into his place and asked for a price-list. While he was in the back room getting the price-list he heard an alarm on his cash-drawer ring. He at once returned to the front room and ran to the front door. One of the fellows got away. The other was locked in and kept until a policeman could be sent for.

Justice Richardson required McCormack and Eaton to give bond in the sum of \$200 each for their good behavior for twelve months. Committed in default.

#### Corcoran Hall.

The drama "Social Glass" is highly commended by those who witnessed its production at Corcoran Hall on Thursday night last. It was advertised to be repeated on Friday night, but owing to the severe storm it was deferred until Tuesday night next. A full house should greet the managers, as the object is a worthy one.

#### Hustings Court.

A. & V. Donati and Mrs. Ann McKinley, who were indicted for selling liquor to minors, were tried, found guilty, and fined \$20 each.

The grand jury will meet to-morrow.

#### Will of the Late Andrew Johnston.

The will of Mr. Andrew Johnston was admitted to probate in the Chancery Court yesterday. The estate is valued at \$120,000 and is disposed of as follows: To his niece, Miss Edith Symington, \$10,000; to Mr. Richard Fox, \$10,000, to be held by him as trustee for the benefit of his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Fox, during her life; at her death to such persons as she may desire and bequeath, the same to be by writing in the nature of a will, and if she shall leave no such writing then the said property shall pass to those who would be entitled to the same as her heirs, &c.; to his grandniece, Miss Kate Fox, \$1,000; to his grandniece, Miss Julia Fox, \$500; to his grandniece, Miss Mary J. Burwell, and to her three brothers, Blair, Robert P., and Henry de B. Burwell, \$500 each; to his niece, Mrs. Mary S. Boggs, and his nephew, William N. Symington, and Dr. John Symington, each \$5,000; to his grandnephew, George E. Pickett, \$1,000; to his nephew, Colonel Robert B. Johnston, of Geneva, N. Y., \$2,000; to Mr. William H. Powers, his bond for \$3,000, held by the deceased, with the request that he will consider the same in the distribution of his property among his children. To Mr. Charles U. Williams and Mr. Aubin L. Boulware, his partners, jointly all of his share of the books, furniture, &c., belonging to the office; also his share of any continual or uncollected fees. The books, pictures, &c., in his house go to his niece, Edith Symington; his grandniece, Mary Jane Burwell, and Mrs. Elizabeth Fox; to Martha Lee, his cook, and Wilson Baker, his servant, \$300 each; to Matilda Lurer, another servant, \$200; to Wilson A. Evans (colored), now in the employ of Dr. George Ross, \$20; to James E. McKenney, \$1,500. All the rest and residue of the estate, real and personal, is distributed as follows: To Mrs. Elizabeth Fox, \$8,000; to Miss Edith Symington, \$10,000; to Mrs. Mary S. Boggs, \$5,000; to William R. Symington, \$5,000; to Dr. John Symington, \$5,000; to Mary J. Blair, Robert P., and Henry de B. Burwell, the four children of Mrs. Virginia B. Burwell, \$1,000 each; to the issue of Mrs. Mary Bryson Powers, \$2,000, to be equally divided among them; to Major Charles E. Pickett, \$4,315.32.

Mr. Aubin L. Boulware, who is named in the will as executor, yesterday qualified as such.

#### The Presbyterian Synod.

The Synod met yesterday morning and was opened with religious services, conducted by Rev. J. M. Barr, D. D.

A number of reports were read and adopted.

The records of various Presbyteries were also adopted.

The Synod will meet November 1st, 1887, with the First church in Norfolk. Rev. Dr. Hoge, in fitting and feeling words, announced the death of Rev. Dr. A. A. Hodge, of Princeton College, N. J. Suitable resolutions were adopted by a rising vote. Rev. James P. Smith, of Fredericksburg, the successor of Rev. Dr. Hodge in that charge, was appointed to attend the funeral.

At 12:30 the Synod took a recess. On reassembling, the order of the day (memorial addresses) was taken up.

Addresses were delivered in respect to the memory of J. M. Scott, Rev. Dr. D. B. Ewing, Rev. J. P. Strider, and Rev. B. W. Moseley.

The Synod was adjourned, after a pleasant and profitable session.

#### Special Services To-Day.

Second Presbyterian Church.—Rev. E. C. Gordon, of Salem, will preach at 11 A. M.; Rev. Dr. Bullock, of Washington city, at 4 P. M., and Rev. Dr. Hoge in Old Market Hall at 8 P. M.

Monumental Church.—Rev. John B. Newton, rector—Divine services at 11 A. M. and at chapel at 8 P. M. Sunday school at 9:30 A. M. and at chapel at 4 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Wood will preach at Grace-street Baptist church this morning and Rev. P. D. Stevenson in the afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Lyle, of the Presbyterian Synod, will preach at the Home at 4 o'clock. The members of the Synod have been invited to attend and also to visit the Home while in the city.

Rev. J. M. Sloan will preach at Leigh-street Baptist church at 11 A. M., and Rev. M. L. Lacy at 7:45 P. M.

#### Services in Manchester.

The following ministers, who are in attendance upon the Presbyterian Synod in session in Richmond, will preach in Manchester to-day: Revs. P. D. Stephenson, J. H. H. Winfree, J. C. Painter, and C. H. Hollis. Mr. Stephenson will preach at the Central Methodist at 11 A. M.; Mr. Winfree at the Bainbridge-street Baptist at 7:30 P. M.; Mr. Painter at the Presbyterian church at 11 A. M., and Mr. Hollis at 7:30 P. M.

Rev. J. J. Clopton, rector of the Meade Memorial church, will preach a sermon especially to the young men this morning. To-night he will preach on the subject of temperance.

#### The Methodist Conference.

The Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will meet in Norfolk next Wednesday. Many of the ministerial and lay delegates from this city and vicinity will go down to Norfolk Monday on the steamer Ariel, while others will leave on the train Tuesday. This session of the Conference promises to be a most interesting one.

There will doubtless be several changes in the location of ministers made in Richmond and vicinity, and several congregations will anxiously await the day upon which the Bishop will make the appointments.

#### Paying Off.

The city auditor and treasurer were engaged yesterday in liquidating the claims of the registrars and judges who served in the recent election.

## BREVITIES.

### PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS, MINOR MENTION, AND SMALL MATTERS.

#### The News of the Day Boiled Down and Served Up in Condensed Shape.

Governor Lee and family witnessed the performance of the "Mikado" last night. James M. Hardie and Miss Sara Von Leer open in Washington to-morrow night.

The monthly meeting of the Baptist Sunday-School Association will not be held this evening.

If the weather permits, the usual services may be expected at the Salvation Army tent to-day.

The cases against John M. Carroll, late treasurer of Staunton, and his sureties have been dismissed.

Mr. S. Dabney Crenshaw and bride have returned to the city, and are stopping at No. 11 West Main street.

Mr. N. B. Clapp, the organist of the First Presbyterian church, has been quite indisposed for several days.

By the rain Friday night Madison street near its intersection with Belvidere was flooded and rendered impassable.

Rev. R. P. Kerr, of the First Presbyterian church, will preach at the Male Orphan Asylum this evening at 4 o'clock P. M.

On the land recently purchased by Dr. S. H. Harris, on Water street, he will erect additional storehouses for use in his business.

The Annual Pound-Party of the Eye, Ear, and Throat Infirmary takes place on Thursday the 18th, at 217 Governor street.

The monthly meeting of the Methodist Sunday-School Society will be held at Union Station church at 3:30 o'clock P. M., to-day.

Among the delegates in attendance at the Synod is Rev. John G. Anderson, of Williamsburg, son of the principal of the Male Orphan Academy.

The performances of Mr. James M. Hardie and Miss Sara Von Leer, are among the best that have been witnessed in Richmond this season.

The grand jury of the United States Court for this district will meet in Norfolk next Wednesday. There are a number of Richmond men on the jury.

Sheriff Pettit, of Powhatan county, arrived in the city yesterday with Elizabeth Brooks, who was convicted of arson and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Mr. Willis A. Crocker, advance representative of the Frank E. Aiken combination, was in the city yesterday. This company will be at the Mozart Academy next Tuesday.

Friday night Allen Hulchester fell in the dock near the Upper Gas Works. He was taken out by J. W. Johnston and August Barham and sent to his home on Twenty eighth street.

The Staunton Indicator of November the 12th says: "Cards are out for the marriage, on the 7th of December, of Mr. Merrill C. Kyle, formerly of this place, now of Brownsville, Southwest Virginia, and Miss Nettie Ide, daughter of Professor E. Louis Ide, of Richmond."

#### The West-End to Have a Market.

The special Council committee appointed to consider the question of a market in the West-End met in the Council Chamber last night at 6:30. The committee organized by electing Mr. Starke, chairman. Upon motion it was resolved that a market in Clay Ward was not only expedient, but actually necessary. It was also resolved that when the committee adjourn, it be to meet at the corner of Broad and Laurel streets, next Friday at 4 o'clock P. M., to inspect with the City Engineer the different sites suggested for the location of the market.

#### The Dissenting Opinion in the Cluverius Case.

Judge Drury A. Hinton, of the Court of Appeals, the only member of that tribunal who dissented from the opinion of his associates in confirming the judgment of the Hustings Court in the Cluverius case, will, it is said, soon write out his views and reasons for his position. This will probably be done before the 10th of December, the day fixed for the execution of the prisoner.

#### Proper Treatment for Would-be Pensioners.

William Reinheim applied at the Second station-house about 12 o'clock last night. He was considerably under the influence of liquor, and said he was on his way to Washington to get a pension, having fought in both the Mexican and late wars. Taking everything into consideration, Captain Angle deemed it advisable to lock him up on the charge of vagrancy.

#### A Bad Smash-Up.

Yesterday evening a runaway horse, with wagon attached, ran over the embankment on the corner of Grace and Twenty-Ninth streets. The fall was about forty feet. The horse luckily sustained but slight injury, but the wagon was demolished. The horse had no driver, and the TIMES' informant did not learn who the owner of the team was.

#### A Bad Night for Tramps.

Seven tramps applied for and received lodging in the Third station-house last night. There were only three or four at the other two.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RICHMOND ATHLETIC CLUB.

### Election of Officers, &c.

At a meeting of Richmond Athletic Club, held last night at their hall, on Seventh, between Grace and Broad streets, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Dr. Jacob Michaux, president; W. W. Palmer, vice-president; John C. Easley, treasurer; — Miller, secretary; George Gibson, superintendent of apparatus; F. D. Williams, J. C. Lamb, J. L. Antrim, R. H. Meade, W. C. Preston, executive committee.

On motion of Mr. J. Alston Cabell, a committee of three was appointed by the chair to inquire into the subject of raising an amount sufficient to build a hall suitable for the gymnasium. Mr. John S. Williams was appointed chairman of this committee.

A resolution by Mr. Cabell was passed establishing life-membership at \$50 each. The report of the treasurer showed a cash balance of \$525, and no debt.

The membership numbers 101 and is steadily increasing. Nearly all the professions and occupations are represented, and many of the best and brightest gentlemen of the city are members of this useful organization.

A vote of thanks was unanimously tendered to Mr. J. Alston Cabell, the retiring president, on motion of Mr. W. C. Preston, for his diligent and courteous official conduct.

The club then adjourned.

### Receiver Appointed.

The following, taken from the Baltimore Sun of yesterday, will be of interest in Richmond:

"Judge Phelps yesterday appointed Mr. Henry Stockbridge receiver of the Duffey Malt Whiskey Company, of Baltimore city, on a bill of complaint filed by the Bank of Monroe, of Rochester, N. Y. The bill alleges that the company has, in the conduct of its business, made and passed certain of its checks in various amounts, which in due course of business have come into the possession and are the property of the Bank of Monroe, which checks were, upon presentation for payment, refused, and have been duly protested; that the company is insolvent, and it is for the interest and advantage of all of the creditors that a receiver should be appointed to take charge of the assets and wind up the business, and make distribution among the creditors so far as the assets shall be sufficient, and that the company be restrained from further prosecution of the business or interfering with the receiver. The court granted the injunction on the filing of a bond of \$10,000 by the plaintiff. Mr. Stockbridge gave bond as receiver for \$50,000. William Lanahan & Son sued out an attachment in the Superior Court, for \$7,567.30, and levied on the company's stock for that amount."

### A Compliment to Richmond.

The Baptist Congress, which meets in Eutaw Place Baptist Church, Baltimore, on Tuesday next, will be presided over by Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Grace-street church, Richmond. Among the topics to be discussed are faith, cures, inspiration of the Scriptures, the labor question, Sabbath observance, &c.

### The Masonic Temple.

Mr. W. M. Poinexter's drawing for a Masonic Temple, to be erected on the Allan lot, corner of Fifth and Main, is on exhibition in the window of Nowlan & Co. The design is for granite, and the cost of the building, according to the design, would be about \$200,000 or \$225,000.

### Wanted in Havre de Grace.

Sally Peterson (colored) was arrested last night by Sergeant Tomlinson and Policeman Wren. She was arrested on a telegram from the authorities at Havre de Grace, Md., where she is wanted for throwing vitriol into the face of another colored woman.

### The City Circuit Court.

The court was engaged yesterday in the consideration of unimportant civil business. It meets again to-morrow morning and the calling of the civil docket will be continued.

### Beating His Wife.

James Curry was arrested last night and lodged in the Third station-house for beating his wife.

### Pungent Spicy News.

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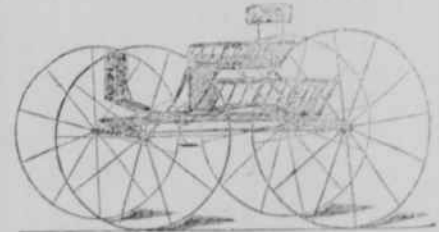
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